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SUBJECT: EXPROPRIATED US PROPERTY AND ELIGIBILITY OF THE
PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CONGO FOR GENERALIZED PREFERENCES
(GSP)

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1. PLEASE REQUEST FRG FOREIGN MINISTRY TO TRANSMIT
FOLLOWING MESSAGE IN FRENCH TO THE CONGOLESE GOVERNMENT
THROUGH FRG EMBASSY IN BRAZZAVILLE.

2. A LA SUITE D'UNE ETUDE INTER-AGENCES DE L'ADMISSI-
BILITE DES PAYS AU BENEFICE DU SYSTEME GENERALISE DE
PREFERENCES (GSP) EN VERTU DES DISPOSITIONS VISANT
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L'EXPROPRIATION (SECTION 502 B) 4)) DE LA LOI DE 1974

SUR LE COMMERCE, IL A ETE DECIDE QUE LE CONGO N'A PAS
PRIS LES MESURES PRESCRITES PAR LA SECTION 502 B) 4) D)
DE LADITE LOI POUR S'ACQUITTER DES OBLIGATIONS QUI LUI
INCOMBENT EN VERTU DU DROIT INTERNATIONAL A L'EGARD DES
PROPRIETAIRES AMERICAINS QUI ONT ETE EXPROPRIES. NOUS
ANTICIPONS QUE LE CONGO PERDRA FINALEMENT SON ADMISSI-
BILITE AU BENEFICE DU GSP SI DES PROGRES SENSIBLES NE
SONT PAS ACCOMPLIS DANS UN AVENIR PROCHE EN VUE DE
RESOUDRE LES CAS NON REGLES CONCERNANT TEXACO ET MOBIL.

3. ENGLISH VERSION OF MESSAGE IS AS FOLLOWS: INTER-
AGENCY CONSIDERATION OF COUNTRY ELIGIBILITY FOR GENERA-
LIZED PREFERENCES (GSP) UNDER THE EXPROPRIATION PROVISION
(SECTION 502 B) 4)) OF THE TRADE ACT OF 1974 HAS RESULTED
IN DECISION THAT CONGO IS NOT TAKING THE STEPS REQUIRED
BY SECTION 502 B) 4) D) OF THE ACT TO DISCHARGE ITS
OBLIGATIONS UNDER INTERNATIONAL LAW TO EXPROPRIATED US
PROPERTY OWNERS. WE EXPECT CONGO TO LOSE ITS ELIGIBILITY
FOR GSP IN DUE COURSE IN THE ABSENCE OF SIGNIFICANT
PROGRESS IN THE NEAR FUTURE TOWARD RESOLVING THE OUT-
STANDING CASES INVOLVING TEXACO AND MOBIL.

4. PLEASE REQUEST THAT FRG EMBASSY BRAZZAVILLE REPORT
DELIVERY AND ANY CONGOLESE REACTION TO ABOVE MESSAGE. SISCO

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